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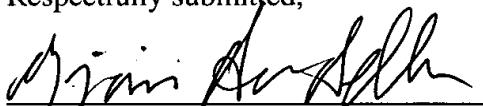
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PETITION OF EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the Office Action mailed January 13, 2003 for the above-referenced patent application be extended for one (1) month to and including March 13, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 07-1185 in the total amount of \$55 for the petition fee and any additional fee that may be required. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account 07-1185.

Respectfully submitted,

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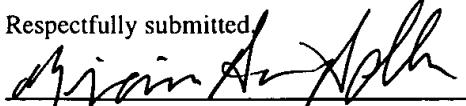
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- 2) Petition of Extension of Time.

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